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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR sections 1.97 and 1.98, applicant respectfully requests that the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449, be made of record and considered in connection with the examination of this application. Copies of the listed document are enclosed. A translation of the foreign language documents is not readily available.

The documents submitted herewith were cited in a Search Report (copy enclosed) issued in a German application corresponding to the above-referenced application.

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German Publication DE-196 03 424 A1 discloses shaped workpieces formed of intumescent mixtures and method of their manufacturing, with the workpieces being formed of mixtures of thermoplastic materials and an expanding graphite. According to the inventive method, the thermoplastic material and the expanding (swelling graphite) are mixed in an extruder, with the mixture, which leaves the extruder in a plastic form being immediately pressed into an appropriate shape in a die.

German Publication DE-199 05 153 A1 discloses a fiber-free shaped workpieces formed of a blinder and a filling material, with the filling materials being formed of solid mixtures. The workpieces are formed as fire protection parts. The workpieces are produced as follows. A binder is mixed with an emulsifier with subsequent admixing of a filler mixture, a blowing agent, and a hardening agent. Then the compound is converted into a foam form, heated to  $t^{\circ} - 40^{\circ}-60^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and then hardened.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) in the amount of \$180.00 to our Deposit Account No. 50-0955.

Respectfully submitted,



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